# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

MARTIN J. WALSH, Secretary of Labor,	
United States Department of Labor,	
Plaintiff,	
v. )	Civil Action No.: 1:22-cv-919
DROTECTION DI LIC INC. 27 4 DAVMOND	
PROTECTION PLUS, INC., and RAYMOND STANLEY, an individual,	
Defendants.	

#### **CONSENT ORDER AND JUDGMENT**

Plaintiff, Martin J. Walsh, Secretary of Labor, United States Department of Labor, has filed a complaint under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 as amended (29 U.S.C. § 201 et seq.) ("FLSA"), and Defendants PROTECTION PLUS, INC. and RAYMOND STANLEY, individually, (collectively "Defendants") have appeared by counsel, and waive formal service of process of the Summons and Complaint, waive their Answer and any defenses which they may have, and agree to the entry of this Consent Order and Judgment without contest.

Defendants admit and the Court finds Defendants are engaged in related activities performed through unified operation or common control for a common business purpose and are an "enterprise" under 29 U.S.C. § 203(r) of the FLSA.

Defendants admit and the Court finds Defendants are an enterprise engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. § 203(1)(A) of the FLSA.

Defendants admit and the Court finds Defendants are employers as defined in 29 U.S.C. § 203(d) of the FLSA.

Upon motion of attorneys for the Secretary and for cause shown, it is:

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, pursuant to section 17 of the FLSA that Defendants, their officers, agents, servants, and all persons acting or claiming to act on their behalf and interest be, and they hereby are, permanently enjoined and restrained from violating the provisions of sections 7, 11(c), 15(a)(2), 15(a)(3), and 15(a)(5) of the FLSA, in any of the following manners:

- 1. Defendants shall not, contrary to 29 U.S.C. §§ 207 and 215(a)(2), employ any of their employees including, but not limited to, any of their employees working at PROTECTION PLUS, INC., or at any business location owned, operated, and/or controlled by Defendants, and at any other business location at which their employees perform work, in any workweek when they are engaged in commerce or employed in an enterprise engaged in commerce, within the meaning of the FLSA, for workweeks longer than forty hours, unless said employees receive compensation for their employment in excess of forty hours at a rate equivalent to one and one-half times the regular rate at which they are employed.
- 2. Defendants shall make, keep, and preserve adequate records of their employees and of the wages, hours, and other conditions and practices of employment maintained by them including, but not limited to, any of their employees working at PROTECTION PLUS, INC., or at any business location owned, operated, and/or controlled by Defendants, and at any other business location at which their employees perform work, as prescribed by the Regulations issued pursuant to 29 U.S.C. §§ 211(c) and 215(a)(5) and found at 29 C.F.R.

Part 516. Defendants shall make such records available at all reasonable times to representatives of the Plaintiff.

- 3. Pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 215(a)(3), Defendants shall not discharge or take any retaliatory action against any of their employees because the employee engages in any of the following activities:
  - a. Discloses, or threatens to disclose, to a supervisor or to a public agency, any activity, policy, or practice of the Defendants or another employer, with whom there is a business relationship, that the employee reasonably believes is in violation of the FLSA, or a rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to the FLSA;
  - b. Provides information to, or testifies before, any public agency or entity conducting an investigation, hearing or inquiry into any alleged violation of the FLSA, or a rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to the FLSA, by the Defendants or another employer with whom there is a business relationship;
  - c. Objects to, or refuses to participate in any activity, policy or practice which the employee reasonably believes is in violation of the FLSA, or a rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to the FLSA.

FURTHER, JUDGMENT IS HEREBY ENTERED, pursuant to section 16(c) of the Act, in favor of the Secretary and against Defendants in the total amount of \$370,459.48, as set forth in Exhibit A.

4. The Secretary shall recover from Defendants the sum of \$185,229.74 in unpaid overtime compensation covering the period from May 13, 2018, through January 7, 2021, and the additional sum of \$185,229.74 in liquidated damages for Defendants' current and former employees whose names are listed in the attached Exhibit A.

- a. At the time of Defendants' execution of this Consent Order and Judgment, Defendants shall pay the amount of \$370,459.48 by ACH transfer, credit card, debit card, or digital wallet at https://www.pay.gov/public/form/start/77692637 or www.pay.gov and searching "WHD Back Wage Payment Midwest Region".
- b. Defendants shall also furnish to the Secretary the social security number and last-known address for each employee named in Exhibit A.
- c. The Secretary shall distribute the above payments, less appropriate deductions for federal income withholding taxes and the employee's share of the social security (F.I.C.A.) tax, to the employees or their legal representative as their interests may appear, in accordance with the provisions of section 16(c) of the FLSA. Defendants remain responsible for the employer's share of F.I.C.A. arising from or related to the back wages distributed by the Secretary.
- d. Neither Defendants nor anyone on their behalf shall directly or indirectly solicit or accept the return or refusal of any sums paid under this Consent Order and Judgment. Any such amount shall be immediately paid to the Secretary for deposit as above, and Defendants shall have no further obligations with respect to such returned monies.
- e. Any monies not disbursed by the Department of Labor after three years from the date of payment by Employers, because of the inability to locate the proper persons or because of their refusal to accept payment, shall be deposited into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts, pursuant to section 16(c) of the FLSA.
- f. The provisions of this Consent Order and Judgment shall not in any way affect any legal right of any individual not named on Exhibit A, nor shall the provisions

in any way affect any legal right of any individual named on Exhibit A to file any action

against Defendants for any violations alleged to have occurred outside the relevant

period.

5. By entering into this Consent Order and Judgment, Plaintiff does not waive his

right to conduct future investigations of Defendants under the provisions of the FLSA and to take

appropriate enforcement action, including assessment of civil money penalties pursuant to 29

U.S.C. § 216(e), with respect to any violations disclosed by such investigations.

FURTHER, JUDGMENT IS HEREBY ENTERED, pursuant to section 16(e)(2) of the

Act, in favor of the Plaintiff and against the Defendants in the total amount of \$69,540.52, which

represents civil money penalties.

6. Defendants shall pay the civil money penalties in the amount of \$69,540.52 by

ACH transfer, credit card, debit card, or digital wallet at

https://www.pay.gov/public/form/start/77692637 or www.pay.gov and searching "WHD Back

Wage Payment – Midwest Region".

FURTHER, it is agreed by the parties herein and hereby ORDERED that each party shall

bear their own costs, fees and other expenses incurred by such party in connection with any stage

of this proceeding, but not limited to, attorney fees which may be available under the Equal

Access to Justice Act, as amended.

Dated this day of

, 2022.

Jane Magnus-Stinson

United States District Judge

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Entry of this judgment is hereby consented to:

## PROTECTION PLUS, INC.

By s/ Raymond Stanley
Its Secretary

#### **RAYMOND STANLEY**

s/ Raymond Stanley
RAYMOND STANLEY, individually

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**Regional Solicitor** 

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## Exhibit A

Allen, Joseph Allen, Ronald Allison, Larry Allman, Shauna Anderson, Chris Ash, Reginald Attikisson Jr., Lynn Attlisson, Lynn Allen

Bailey, David Bailey, Lisa J Baker, Karna Baker, Paul

Ballard, William M
Beard, Caitlyn
Beaty, Roger
Bennett, Bruce
Bennett, Stacey
Benson, Robert
Bentancourt, Jacob
Berry, Aaron
Berry, Christopher

Bevans, Eric Biddle, Anthony Blake, Johnny Blanton, Alexis Bradshaw, James Bridgeman, Michael

Brinkman, Jeremy Britton, Leonard Brown, Zachary Brownlee, Mikayla Bucci, Deborah L Burcham, Kenneth Burden, Alexander

Burks White, Ty'waun Burnett, Damon Burnett, Davon Burris, Edward Burton, James Butcher, William Carman, Melissa Chase, Donna Christy, Ed Clark, Kaylee Collins, Lindsey Conjelko, Kevin Conner, Michael Cottongim, Frank Cox, Robert Crowell, Jerome

Cox, Robert
Crowell, Jerome
Davis, Renitta
Denney, Ariel
DiSalvo, Zachary
Dodson, Atalya
Douglas, Mason
Douglas, Raymond
Duncan, Kenneth
Duncan, Tamika
Dunham, Cathy
Dunham, Floyd
Erwin, Samuel

Evans, Cassie Flanagan, Jimmy Fletcher, Theresa Ford, Anthony Gabriel, Dacelin Gates, Raymond Gazvoda, Larry Gibbs, Aaron

Goldsberry, Catherine Golland, Deanna Gonzalez, Sergio Goode, Tracy E Goodman, Chris Grant-Thomas, Carrie

Graves, Kelly Gray, Deasia Grayson, Tiffany Gregory, Collins A Grimes, Marvin Hall, Matthew Hardesty, Jake Hargrave, Luke Harvey, Jordan C Heath, Philip Heiney, Shannon Hill, Dwond Holmes, Shawn House, Angel House, Henry Howard, Michael Huffman, John Hutchings, Phyllis Hutchins, Earl Ingles II, William Johnson, Japhia H Johnson, Jeremiah Jones, Elvis Keene, Kelvin Kendall, Roger King, Craig King, Stephen

Lamon, Nora LaPlante, Reginald B Lewis, Cheyanna Lewis, Debbie Lewis, Ernest Lightcap, Daniel

Knotts, Larry

Knue, James

Knue III, James Kutruff, Victoria

Lain, Bawi Za

Livingston, Matthew

Line, Jeffrey

Lynn, Shaelie
Maciel, Andrew
Mack, Brian
Mansaree, Bakary
Martin, Jason
Mcbee, Nathan
Mcclain, Michael
McDaniel, Aaron
McDaniel, Melissa
McDaniel, Steve
McPeek, Quinten
McQuinn, Cristina
Meade, Ronald
Medsker, James
Meola, Ralph

Mikels, Norman Miranda, Jose A Montgomery, Linda Moore, Terry R Morgan, Robert Mosinski, George Mosley, Michael Mulkey, Glen H Ndiaye, Malick Neely, Sonya Newson, Robert Northcutt, Ron E Oden, Brian Parker, Ronetta Patton, Kristal Pea, Michael Petro, Jerry

Petro, Jerry
Pettigrew, William
Phillips, Deon
Pitcock, Hunter
Price Jr., Gregory
Province, Franklin
Puente, Quenton
Puente, Steve
Pullins, Fred
Quakenbush, Greg
Ray, Devaan
Reeves, Gerald
Richardson, Jackie
Richardson, Norine
Richardson, Richard
Riley, Gregory

Rodriguez, Edward Rogers, Antwann Rosales, Martin Santiago, Vincent Saylor, Frank Scurlock, Chardae Serf, Andrea Shannon, Toni Shoulders, Zaavier Shriner, Christina Simpson, Robert Smilko, Robbie Smith, Dana

Robinson, Anna

Smith, Tyrae Smock, Misty Smock, Ronald Sprong, Jonathon Stephens, Michael Stephens, Shannon Stigall, Jeff A Sullivan, Melissa Telfair, Darrell Terhune, Robert Terrell, Liebe L Thomas, Robert Thomas, William Till, Tyler Toliver, Tiaan Treece, Matthew Tuchek, Jacob Turner, Shurea Vaughn, Stephen L Vest, David

Ward, Jordan Warren, Craig Webb, Cody Webb, Paul Wilbers, John Wilder, Markee Williams, Andre Williams, Desmond Williams, Donte Williams, Marie S Williams, Mario S Williams, Marshall Willoughby, Jasmine Willoughby, Lela Wilson, Demyshia M Wray, Quanita Wright, Audra Wright, Khryishna Young, Bobby